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MONDAY JANUARY 31.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Chamber's Encyclopedia, with American addition—whole on the installment plan—at Sutherland's bookstore.

Boston Brown Bread at Denniston's.

Spanish oysters at Denniston's.

Fresh ripe bananas always on hand at Golling's.

The fine residence, barn and two lots occupied by Dr. McConsey, corner of Washington and Wall streets, can be bought for \$2,000, partly on time if desired.

O. E. BOWLES.

Home Life of Great Authors, by Hattie Tynd Grawford, at Sutherland's bookstore.

WANTED—Ladies, local or traveling. A beautiful, entirely new special for the day only. \$1 daily easily made. No photo. No painting. Particulars free. Mrs. A. L. LITTLE, 1114 Broadway, Chicago, Ill.

WANTED—By a young man attending our school and who is willing to work, a place to work mornings, evenings and Saturdays.

VALENTINE BROS.

Money to loan on first security. Inquire Max Flennig.

History of Our Own Times, by Justin McCarthy, for sale at Sutherland's.

Catering for parties attended to by Golling. Silverware and all other supplies furnished at desired. Orders taken for Shurtleff's cream.

By trading at our store, you will receive street car tickets free of charge.

BORN, BAILEY & CO.

We have a lot of the finest dairy butter that can be found in the country, which we will sell reasonably by the pound or jar. Call and examine it before you buy.

BRACE & BROWN.

\$550 will buy three lots on which is a comfortable house, a good well, garden and fruit trees.

O. E. BOWLES.

Fresh mixed nuts, 10 cents a pound, at Golling's.

Fresh oysters at Denniston's.

Nothing can be more appetizing than the oysters served by Skinner.

Among the joys of life are such oysters as Skinner serves.

Oysters at cost for the next 30 days at T. J. Ziegler's.

Corsets, corsets, special sale of sample corsets at half price at Archie Reid's this week.

BORN, BAILEY & CO.

All winter goods at reduced prices to close.

BORN, BAILEY & CO.

Just received 250 doz. sample corsets for Archie Reid's special sale of corsets this week.

H. H. BLANCHARD.

Money to loan—\$2,000 on good farm security.

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Ladies buy your corset vests and corset covers cheap, at Archie Reid's special sale this week.

Shortleff's fine home-made candies, oyster caramels and chocolate creams, fresh every day, at Golling's.

My patrons have \$10,000 they will loan in sums of \$500 or more. If you need any money come and see me.

O. E. BOWLES.

Want a General Agent or Sub Agent, in your city, to sell my goods. Best chance. \$2 a week salary, or send 50 cts. on the \$1 cent. Address W. H. BROWN, 1114 Broadway, Chicago, Ill.

From now on we will offer our entire stock of newmarket cloaks and wraps at less than manufacturers' prices.

BORN, BAILEY & CO.

Funeral postponed—All of them might be if pure candy from Skinner's was used, instead of the adulterated goods usually sold.

Fine ripe bananas at Denniston's.

Finest line of cat and bulk oysters in the city, at Golling's.

D. Conger has fine lots for sale at all prices, from \$150 to \$1,200, on easy terms.

For Rent—Four good dwellings in good neighborhoods, and good room centrally located, for an office.

H. H. BLANCHARD.

Dr. Warner's Corsetine corsets only 50 and 75 cents at Archie Reid's special sale this week.

We furnish our customers street car tickets free of charge.

BORN, BAILEY & CO.

\$5,200 will buy a fine brick residence on South Main street, worth \$7,500. Apply to Wheeler & Stevens.

T. J. Ziegler is selling overcoats at cost for the next 30 days.

Don't fail to buy an overcoat of T. J. Ziegler. See his prices in another column.

Johnson Bros. best oyster crackers, 5 cts., at Brace & Brown's, East End.

D. Conger has a fine list of houses and lots for sale at a bargain.

Malaga grapes, oranges, at Denniston's.

New Hamburg embroideries in great variety at lower prices than ever before given.

J. Cogswell & Co. call special attention to reliable lines of Peab. Goat Button Shoes. See to-day's ad.

Do not forget the special sale of corsets at Archie Reid's this week.

Good horses and outposts at reasonable prices at Danville & Humphrey's.

Solid meat bulk oysters at Brace & Brown's. Try a quart of them; they will make you laugh.

S. F. Sanborn has a few good ocel stores for sale or rent.

Boy one of Dr. Warner's health corsets at Archie Reid's special sale this week.

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE DAILY GAZETTE—SEND FOR YOUR NAMES.

It is a fact that Archie Reid has more corsets, more styles and better goods than all the other houses in the city and sells them cheaper at his special sale this week.

All goods at bottom prices for the next 30 days, to reduce stock, at the store and furniture store of S. F. Sanborn, 63 North Main St.

Boots and shoes repaired on short notice.

G. COOKE & CO.

Two doors west of P. O.

THE DAILY GAZETTE.

Has increased its circulation twenty-five per cent during the past year. As an advertising medium it is recognized as reliable and effective.

The WEEKLY GAZETTE is without a rival in the country. The rates of advertising are always based upon circulation. If you have anything to say to the people of the city or county you can speak to more of them through the columns of the GAZETTE than through any other medium published in the same territory.

BRIEFLETS.

—Miss Madden is the youngest prominent star in America.

—About one inch of snow fell during the early morning snow storm.

—The Rochester Register—Well No. 4 flows nicely at 692 feet. Temperature 56 degrees.

—Telephone No. 15 now connects I. O. Brownell's grocery with the exchange in this city.

—Mrs. C. N. Vankirk went to Chicago this morning, called there by the sickness of her sister.

—The friends of Mrs. Sam Mills, of the first ward, will regret to hear that she is dangerously ill.

—Miss Madden is organizing a Ladies' Literary society to be called "Capitol Literary Association."

—The Young Ladies' Guild of Trinity parish, will meet this (Monday) evening, with Mrs. Mary Stever, Loonast street, at 7 o'clock.

—City Attorney Pierce is studying the water works contracts of other cities, to find out any points that may be of value to Janesville.

—Crystal Temple of Honor, No. 32, assembled in regular weekly session this evening—Lodge room in the Judd block, North Main street.

—This afternoon Frank Hoover is before Judge Bennett, applying for a divorce from his wife, Lizette M. Hoover. The ground is desertion.

—Miss Jennie Ford, daughter of J. L. Ford, of the first ward, entertained a few of her young friends, by a sleigh ride on Saturday evening.

—A "pack of wolves" are making things lively up in the town of Janesville. They are reported as being very bold, coming right up to the farm houses, and are making lots of sport for the dogs.

—Concordia society have secured the Riverside rink for February 21st, for their grand carnival and masquerade. There will be a grand time and room for all.

—Mr. James P. Gould, of Oshkosh, accompanied by his wife and daughter spent Sunday in the city with his mother and his sister, Miss M. E. Gould, of the third ward.

—This morning the restaurant of Wallace Skinner was turned over to Mr. D. J. Concanon. Mr. Concanon has lots of friends and his new departure will be heard of gladly.

—The suit of Cox against W. H. H. Macdonald, decided in favor of the plaintiff because of the non-appearance of the defendant, has been thrown open, to allow the filing of an answer.

—At the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary Lucas, at Westville, Indiana, January 24, Cynthia L., wife of Edward E. Harlow, of Chicago, aged 29 years, 5 months and 23 days.

—The Woman's Foreign Mission Circle of Court Street church, will meet at Mrs. S. D. Conant's, on Wednesday, February 2nd, at 3:30 p. m. A large attendance at this meeting is especially desired.

—The water works, the railroads and Janesville society in general are likely to receive a very fair share of attention from the pupils of the Old fashioned School to-morrow evening. Some of the local hits are said to be rich.

—Miss Blanche Hayward pleasantly entertained a number of her young friends on Saturday evening, who perpetrated a clever little surprise upon her at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. S. Hayward, Lion street, fifth ward.

—Theaters will be glad of an opportunity to see Milton Nobles in his two most popular plays. This week he will appear in "Love and Law" and on his return engagement in April will present "The Phoenix."

—Mr. J. B. Reseller Stone, collector of internal revenue, Chicago, George N. Stone, Esq., and Mr. Dwight Cook, of Chicago, son, grandson and son-in-law of the late George Stone, are in the city, making arrangements for the funeral of latter.

—On Saturday evening Mr. Henry T. Murphy received from Mr. Walter Myers, who is now in Indiana, two white opossums, which he now has on exhibition at the store of Murphy & Connors, Myers block. They are worth looking at.

—The remains of Mrs. Eliza Haynor, who died at Woodstock, on Saturday morning, arrived in the city this afternoon. They were taken directly to Oak Hill cemetery for interment. Mrs. Haynor was the sister of Frank P. Hayner, formerly a resident of the town of Rock. Her death was caused by inflammation of the lungs.

—"The Last Leaf" and "We are all Teetotalers," two beautiful and interesting little plays, will be presented by the members of People's Lodge Good Templars, at Leppin's hall on Friday evening. The plays will be presented in a first class manner, and our people may rest assured that they will be highly entertained.

—"The dancing event of the week will be the masquerade ball given by the Young Men's Quadrille club, at the Rifles' armory on Thursday evening, February 3rd. Masks can be obtained at E. A. Clyde's, on West Milwaukee street near Grand hotel. All holding invitations to former plays are cordially invited. Gentles, 50 cents each; ladies, 25 cents.

—"The polo game on Saturday evening between the Janesvilles and Lakesides, at Racine, was a very tame affair. The "kicks" of Racine had better remain at home until they learn how to play, or they should include Pugh or Case in their team when they go away from home. The game Saturday evening was a walkway for the home team—3 to 0. There was a very good attendance of spectators.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

to the City Charter Considered at the Council Meeting Saturday Evening.

The Water Works—Street Commissioner—Milwaukee Street Payment.

Other Matters Considered.

An adjourned meeting of the common council was held Saturday evening for the purpose of considering amendments to the city charter. Mayor Winans presided, and all the aldermen were present except Ald. George.

The mayor requested the clerk to read as much of the journal of the last meeting as related to water works and the West Milwaukee street payment. The clerk read the journal as requested.

The clerk was instructed to transmit a certified copy of such proceedings to Senator Lovejoy and Assemblyman Winans.

The application and bond of J. P. Worthington for the transfer of the Wyler saloon license to him, was referred to the judiciary and license committee, and subsequently favorably reported upon and approved.

The clerk read a number of bills against the several funds, which were referred to the finance committee.

Mayor Winans remarked that in view of the change of front by the people on the question of water works, in order to let a contract to a private company to build and own the works, he had prepared some amendments to the charter. He did not think it expedient at this time to legislate the water commissioners out of office, fearing that the city and a private company might not be able to agree upon a contract, in which case the commissioners could go ahead and put the works. He thought the matter should be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. He had seen the agent for Ballock & Co. at Madison, and told him to be here by the next meeting of the council, with one of his principals, and thought it would be advisable to telegraph to the Boston firm who made the \$2,500 proposition to have a representative man here also. He thought the commissioners should not be delayed in their work more than two weeks. His honor also stated that it would require a great amount of time and labor to draw up the contract if it was let to a private company. There were a great many points to be looked after, and he should not have the time to attend to it personally, as it would require at least a week. He thought the city attorney should be authorized to employ such assistance as he might deem necessary to help him in the matter.

Ald. Croft thought it would be better to allow the company to draw their own contract, and present it, as such companies were familiar with details. When such a contract was presented the council could fight for points and secure better conditions.

On motion of Ald. Croft the city attorney was authorized to call to his aid such assistance as he required in formulating a contract with a private company for the construction of water works.

The mayor suggested that whatever is done should be accomplished within the next two weeks. If it becomes impossible for the council and a private company to get together and agree upon a contract, the water commissioners should not be delayed in going ahead with their plans.

Ald. Croft stated that since the water commissioners had delayed so long, that the city had better delay making any contract until the price of pipe was reduced. Works were being built over the country and the demand made the price. He thought a delay at present would benefit the city. The price of pipe was a fiction one. It was too high.

Mayor Winans read the proposed amendments regarding the water works, prefacing the same by remarking that he would introduce the bill and hold it to ascertain whether a contract could be made, in which case the bill could be rushed through without delay.

Mayor Winans also brought up the matter of street commissioner. He stated that a great many people had been to him on the matter of street commissioner. Some wanted him elected by the people, some by the council; others wanted the mayor to appoint and the council to confirm, while others wanted two, one for each side of the river, employed six months during the year. The mayor was in favor of two commissioners, one from each side of the river, to be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council.

Ald. Fathers could see good results from two street commissioners for at least six months in the year. It would give them time to superintend the men, and get more work done.

Ald. Thoroughgood agreed with Ald. Fathers, but preferred to have them elected by the people.

Ald. J. B. McLean preferred to have it an elective office by the people. He thought his honor might be mistaken about the street commissioner having no work to do except about four months in the year. He usually commenced to work in March, and continued until November.

Ald. Croft said if the people elected a commissioner, he was elected for a year, and the council could not remove him. If he is popular, he gets the nomination in the convention whether he is fitted for the position or not. If the council elected a commissioner, he can be removed if he does not do his work well.

No action was taken on the amendments.

Mayor Winans presented the Milwaukee street payment matter, and was in favor of putting it to a vote of the people as to whether the entire city should pay the expense. He thought the property was paying enough so that the owners could afford to pay for it themselves. It was what made the street. He was in favor of the city paying it if three-fourths of the tax payers voted for it.

Ald. Croft thought there was no law for the city repaying Milwaukee street any more than there was for Jackson, Main, or Washington streets. If the owners would allow the city to take the street and repair it as they thought best or as they do other streets, there would

be no objection on the part of the council. But the moment anything of that kind was attempted, there would be a "kick." He did not believe in putting down a pavement for Milwaukee street, every fifteen or sixteen years.

Ald. Judd introduced a resolution instructing Senator Lovejoy and Assemblyman Winans to secure the necessary legislation at this session of the legislature for the city to own and maintain the North Fourth street bridge. Adopted.

Ald. J. B. McLean brought up the matter of poll tax. He wanted to hear from the street commissioner as to how much he had collected.

Commissioner Morgan said he had collected \$39. In the first ward, \$23; second ward, \$5; third ward, \$4; fourth ward, \$7.

Ald. Croft introduced a resolution that State Senator Lovejoy and Assemblyman Winans, from this district, be instructed to procure such legislation as should enable the mayor and common council of the city of Janesville to contract with any person or corporation to supply this city with the necessary water for public and private use. Adopted.

Ald. J. B. McLean moved that the Fire Department committee be instructed to purchase horses for the new horses ordered for the department by the council. Adopted.

On motion adjourned.

WATER WORKS.

Commissioner Eldredge's Reply to Captain Noremans.

JANESVILLE, Jan. 31, 1887.

PLINY NOREMANS, Esq.: Under date of the 24th inst., I took occasion to review in the Gazette of this city, your open letter on the subject of ownership of public water works; which has given occasion to your addressing to me individually by letter published in the Gazette of the 29th inst., inviting me to a personal controversy—a bandying of words and vile epithets, which I most emphatically decline, for the reasons that my nor your foules would healtfully instruct or entertain the intelligence of this community.

The subject of the review referred to was one of public interest, being the policy or impolicy of the city ownership of such public works, the construction of which I conceive to be the almost general desire of our tax payers, to be effected on the best possible terms, and in a manner to subserve the best interests of the city and inhabitants thereof, not only of to-day but the future.

It was no part of the subject or intention of such review to cause you or other person, to grow red in the face, or make faces. But if such was its effect, I have no retraction or excuse to make, nor pardon to crave. I claim the right to express my views on all public subjects and to assert my reasons therefor and expect they will be manfully met, if met at all. And if met by stronger views and more cogent reasons, I will adopt no subterfuge to escape the force of an argument.

Yours, etc.

B. B. ELDRIDGE.

THE FREE DELIVERY.

Indicated in the System Will Not Be Adopted in Janesville.

The indications are that some time will elapse before the free delivery system will be adopted and put in operation in Janesville. While our postoffice has the required net revenue to call for the free delivery system, there are several important points lacking. A few days since one of our citizens interested in adopting the free delivery system, wrote to the postoffice department, inquiring into the details, and received an answer from the district assistant postmaster general, in which that officer says: "An inspection of the postoffice department has been directed to visit your city to ascertain whether it has the necessary qualifications for the free delivery service under the recent act of congress, and report in detail to this office. The city must have streets named at intersections, houses numbered, paved or plank sidewalks, and lighted streets." It will be seen by this that our city has something to do before the system will be in force.

Fairbank's incomparable laundry Soap is prepared especially for the wash tub. But it.

Sudden Death of an Old Resident.

Mr. Geo. Stone, of the town of Harmony, died suddenly at his home (Mt. Zion) on Saturday afternoon, aged 86 years. Deceased was born at Vernon, Oneida county, New York, on the 25th day of September, 1800, and was nearly 87 years old when he died. He came to Rock county in 1850, and has resided here ever since. He leaves three children—Hon. Reseller Stone, collector of Internal Revenue at Chicago; Mrs. Dwight Cook, formerly of this county, and Miss Frances B. Stone. Mr. Stone was known as one of the oldest and most respected citizens of the county and was beloved by all who knew him. The funeral will take place from his residence, Mount Zion, at 11 o'clock (Tuesday) to-morrow morning.

Why have a weak or lame back, when you can get a "Fleming's Petroleum Liniment" for 25 cents? Preventio & Evered's opposite the postoffice.

Tobacco Sales.

Sales of seed leaf tobacco reported by J. S. Gane "Son & Co. tobacco brokers" No. 131 Water Street, New York, for the week ending January 31, 1887.

400 cases, crop of 1885, Pennsylvania, at 10 to 15 cents.

238 cases, crop of 1881-2-3, Pennsylvania, at 10 to 15 cents.

100 cases, crop of 1884, Pennsylvania Havana seed, at 10 to 15 cents.

100 cases, crop of 1885, Wisconsin Havana seed, at 10 to 15 cents.

300 cases, crop of 1885, Little Dutch, at 9 to 10 cents.

100 cases, crop of 1884, State Havana, at 10 to 15 cents.

Total cases, 1,533.

One of the greatest household treasures is Fairbank's Soap. On sale at grocery stores.

SCHOLARS' ATTENTION!

Every scholar who is to take part in the old-time school to-morrow evening, is requested to be at the opera house, for a costume rehearsal to-morrow afternoon at 2:30, sharp. In the evening the curtain will rise promptly at eight o'clock.

Mothers, always use Dr. Seth Arnold's Soothing and Quieting Cordial for children. A mild safe tonic. 25c.

THE SIMPLE SIMON.

That Often Makes Newspaper Life Unpleasant and Unprofitable.

Managing Editor John Hinks, of the Oshkosh Northwestern, delivered at the recent editorial convention, a sermon on newspapers, which had for a text, an extract from Mother Goose. He said that, to the close observer, the transactions of an average office furnished an impressive reminder of the legend:

Simple Simon met a pieman
Going to the fair;
Said simple Simon to the pieman
Let me taste your ware.

"Simple Simon," he said "lives in every town, and represents an element which never dies, and never leaves anything. He comes into your office and wants to taste your paper. He has no money, but will pay for it in the spring, when times get a little easier. The next day Simon comes in again. He wants you to say in your paper that he is getting in a new stock of goods; touch it up in good shape; he is a subscriber to your paper, and you might say, too, that he has a first rate enter for sale, and a pair of bobs. Just mention it in the local—it will be a good item of news. You are afraid of offending Simon, so you agree to do it. In a day or two another Simon makes a call. He wants some bill heads. He gets his work done in Milwaukee, generally, and he has ordered some bill head from there, but they have not come and he is all out and must have some. He asks you, the price on two hundred. You tell him they are worth \$1.50, but he thinks you are trying to rob him. He gets a whole batch the last time, about \$20 worth, and the bill heads only, "about him" about twenty-five cents a hundred. Finally, in a generous mood, he offers to pay you double price and will give you 50 cents if you will make him a hundred. You know that it is a cruel and heartless swindle on yourself, but he has abused means and you don't want to offend him and above all, you don't want him to transfer his valuable patronage to the other office, and so you accept his liberal offer.

And again on another day comes another Simon. His daughter was married two weeks ago last Tuesday, and the family know that newspapers always want "the news," so he brings in the list of presents for you to publish. You look it over and find that it will make three-quarters of a column of nonpareil, that is a news point of view it is stale, flat and unprofitable, that you have hard work to get up sufficient live matter, but you are good natured and you don't want to offend him, so you take it. He tells you he has taken your paper ever since it was started and the idea of your refusing never entered his honest old head.

There is the Simon who has a small advertisement in your paper, in its advertising columns and insists on as much more in your local columns. You submit to his extortions without question. You have not enough backbone to tell him he can't have it.